

GERMANS FORCED TO POSPONE GREAT OFFENSIVE IN WEST-- N.Y. Herald Says U.S. Statesmen Are Under German Ambassador's Influence

BRITAIN'S GREAT FLEET ON WATCH FOR THE HUN

Newspaper Men See the Mighty Strength of the Navy Battle Cruisers, Once Despised, Pride of the Force.

(By Times Special Cable.)
Somewhere in the North Sea, via London, Feb. 11, 11 a. m.—Great Britain's first line offensive fleet, an incomparable combination of speed and gun powder ready for instant action, was inspected yesterday by a party of French and American correspondents, and a representative of the Associated Press was permitted to view from the bridge of a torpedo boat the naval unit which is expected to meet the first shock of a German attack.

In the fleet were virtually all the veteran fighting craft which have been in action in this war, but they showed few scars, with the exception of an occasional dent in their armor. The pride of place was held by battle cruisers which in engagements from the Falkland Isles to the Dardanelles have borne the brunt of the sea fighting. Unpopular with officers and men before the war because they were constantly coaling, and never more than casually praised by the press, the battle cruisers have since the outbreak of the war become the pride of the fleet. They are the pride of the fleet, the pride of the fleet, the pride of the fleet.

The correspondents left the naval base under a sunny sky, but on reaching the outlying patrol of torpedo boats found the water covered with a light haze. There was no sea running, however, and the haze was not thick enough to prevent the newspapermen, from this comparatively steady platform, seeing that part of the fleet which could be safely brought together, even in a patrol course, from which had rejoined the unit a few hours before the review began.

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MONTENEGRINS SURE OF ALLIES' PURPOSE

(By Times Special Cable.)
Paris, Feb. 11.—Montenegrin Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Mouskovic, says, in an official statement issued through the Montenegrin Legation in Paris, that it is true that, with a view to allowing certain distant contingents to come to the aid of others more hardy pressed, an armistice—was refused—was refused by the Montenegrins, and that preliminary negotiations were begun with the Austro-Germans for the same purpose. The Austrian peace conditions, the Premier says, were, as a known, energetically rejected. The royal family and the Government then had to go into exile to avoid falling into the hands of the enemy.

reaching Italian soil on Jan. 20, the King telegraphed to Gen. Vukobratovic, the Montenegrin commander-in-chief, to oppose a vigorous resistance to the Austrians, to carry out the retreat in the direction of the Serbian army, and not to engage in negotiations with anyone under any pretext.

Like the Kings of Belgium and Serbia, the Montenegrins are not to be happy outcome for their efforts. He concludes by saying that the King and Government are not to be held responsible for what was done after their departure from Montenegro on Jan. 20, or for what may be done under the influence or authority of the invading forces.

HUN DRIVE DELAYED: ALLIED AIRMEN BUSY

(By Times Special Cable.)
American, via London, Feb. 11.—A dispatch from Orléans to the Echo de Paris says that on the Belgian front, between Tournai and Arras, there is a very busy strengthening their lines, but the opinion prevails that they have postponed the large offensive movement until the weather is more favorable. Allied airmen are developing the blowing up of a big industrial plant, and are busy with the destruction of the German military position.

ABSOLUTELY NO GROUND FOR SCARE AT KNOX

The most surprised man in Hamilton yesterday was the caretaker of Knox Church. Next to him the most surprised person were the officials of the church. The ridiculous stories that were being told about the church, and the fact that the caretaker was not in the church, were the cause of the surprise. Strange how such stories can run currency and not once reach the ears of the people who actually know the facts. Caretaker Walker was not in Knox Church that night when the fire broke out, and he was not in the church when the fire broke out, and he was not in the church when the fire broke out.

rest assured that there are no evil designs on the church or school. To-day the fire was full of rumors about the blowing up of a big industrial plant in the Hamilton. The story was of the same sort as the church and school street school room.

Glassco's Furs—Big Reductions

Glassco's will offer some great specials for to-morrow, Saturday, in the fur line. Handsome neckpieces, regular from \$10 to \$25, to-morrow \$10 to \$12. One mink suit, regular \$12 to \$15, to-morrow \$10 to \$11. Two natural red fox sets, with sets to match, going to-morrow at \$18 to \$20. Read ad on this page.

173rd FIRST RECRUIT YESTERDAY

He is 19 years old, has had no military experience, but felt that he had a duty to perform. Coming from a Scotch family he took this opportunity and enlisted with the 173rd Highland Battalion. His parents were opposed at first as he has left a good position at a bank at Pittsburgh, but hearing of the bankers' platoon, his being formed, his parents gave their consent.

WHO WILL BE THE FIRST TO-MORROW?

CALGARY MOB

Cleaned Out Two Restaurants—Police Were Helpless

Claimed German-Quoted Veterans as Waiters

(By Times Special Wire.)
Calgary, Feb. 10.—A mob of several hundred soldiers completely wrecked the White lunch restaurant, on Eighth avenue east, to-night, following the work of the chief of the bywrecking the premises of the same concern on Ninth avenue.

A rumor that the manager had dismissed returned soldiers, who had been hired as waiters, and had replaced them with Germans, was responsible for the attack.

P. H. Negele, the manager, to-night denied that he had dismissed any returned soldiers, or that he had hired any Germans, but said that he had occasion to dismiss a man who had at one time been a soldier, but was not now with the overseas forces.

He declared that the affair was the result of conspiracy.

Soon after 9 o'clock about five hundred soldiers, from four battalions stationed here, marched in a body down Ninth avenue to the White Lunch.

Mr. Negele had been warned of impending trouble, and had notified both the police and military authorities.

Chief of Police Chubb, half a dozen constables and plain clothes men hurried to the scene. All customers were sent out and the doors locked. When the soldiers arrived, they were told to disperse, and not to behave in an unlawful manner. He was disregarded and as a preliminary shower of missiles went crashing through the big plate glass windows. A woman cashier, trying to save some plates, was slightly hurt, and Police Constable Fraser was badly cut by flying glass that he had to go to the hospital.

The policemen were swept aside in clumps in a pile, and for an hour the mob did its will with the place. The crowd was increased to two thousand, and the mob was in full swing. The furniture, fixtures and the cooking apparatus were smashed and trampled. Marble counters and stands looked as though artillery shells had exploded in the place. The windows were smashed and the furniture was trampled. The windows were smashed and the furniture was trampled.

A second division of the mob visited the other restaurant owned by the White Lunch Company on Ninth avenue, and trampled it in a similar manner. The cashier and waiters bolted for safety, and in a twinkling the interior of the place looked like a building "somewhere in Texas."

Street car traffic was held up for a long time. It was two hours before the police gained control of the situation, and the streets have been under General Cruikshank's command since 11 p. m. It is said that investigation will be held.

DRAGS U.S. IN LEAGUE WITH BRUTAL GERMANS

New York Herald's Protest at Bernstorff's Power Over Washington In Regard to the Course As to Disarming Merchantmen.

(By Times Special Wire.)
New York, Feb. 11.—Under the caption, "The Crisis Being Steadily Intensified," the Herald this morning says editorially:

"The Herald would be untrue to its public if it did not explain that the situation at Washington, instead of being cleared by the reported understanding with Germany, is far worse than at any time since the European war began.

"The United States has suffered terribly in lost prestige in the last few days. But no one imagined that the United States had been so manacled by its statesmen, and under the influence of the German Ambassador, that we were now posing as a sort of half-wild being, who had been dragged in the face repeatedly by the German diplomats at home, and yet who had been dragged into a league with Germany for the destruction of merchant ships that do not conform to disarmament after March 1.

"The German Ambassador, following Austria-Hungary, served notice on the United States and the rest of the world that after March 1 all merchant ships which carried guns would be sunk without benefit of warning. And what is more deplorable, the United States, listening to the voice of the Teutonic monster, has fallen into the trap, having already suggested that the Entente Allies trust Germany and carry no guns, even for defensive purposes.

"Now, what are we going to do? Here we are with a Cabinet which is so badly misled by the German Ambassador, that it has already suggested that the United States should accept the German ultimatum, with the result that the United States would be sunk without benefit of warning, and our position just as the Herald warned against—strained relations with the Entente Allies, and the United States would be sunk without benefit of warning.

"Was there ever such a mean show of the honor and dignity of the country as this?"

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SAY U. S. IS MISJUDGED

President Declares Country's Neutrality Not Merely.

May Yet Be Forced Into War, Despite Himself.

(By Times Special Wire.)
Washington, Feb. 11.—Delegation to the annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States left their homes to-day, carrying with them the message from President Wilson, the outstanding development of which was a determination to keep the United States out of the European conflict, although he declared that the nation might be forced to become party to the struggle.

The President was speaking on neutrality at the annual banquet of the Chamber, which was a concluding feature of the dinner for the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

"It is a cruel thing," said the President, "to have it supposed as it is in many quarters that we have kept out of this war simply because we are unable to do so. We have kept out of this war simply because we are unable to do so. We have kept out of this war simply because we are unable to do so."

GERMAN GOLD BACK OF U. S. COAL TROUBLE

Such a Declaration of Coal Man Just Back From Conference Demands, If Granted, Would Mean Increase of 60 Cents a Ton.

The best informed local opinion regarding the threatened strike of several thousand coal miners in the Pennsylvania mines, is that the German Government is playing a cynical, but vital, part in the affair, and that the miners' strike is being used as a lever to bring about the increase of the price of coal in the United States. The total output of coal in the United States is estimated at 50,000,000 tons annually, 50 per cent. of which is hard coal, and for domestic purposes. Eventually, the operators would have to pay for the coal, and the miners would have to pay for the coal, and the miners would have to pay for the coal.

Refuting the charge that munitions profits have been the rule, the operators state that coal is being mined on a very low margin of profit as is possible, and they point out that any increase in the price of coal would mean a corresponding increase in the price of munitions. They state that the operators are not in a position to pay for the coal, and the miners would have to pay for the coal, and the miners would have to pay for the coal.

CROSS TOWN CARS BUT AN EXPERIMENT

Being Tried by Company, But Not At Investigation of the City

E. P. Coleman, general manager of the Dominion Power & Transmission Company and George H. Waller, general superintendent, stated emphatically this morning that the cross town line on Bedford avenue was being operated by the company merely as an experiment for their own information and not as a result of any agitation or suggestion by any one person or by the city. That the scheme had been in operation for a year ago, but later, the time not being deemed propitious. The officials would discuss in no way the propositions laid down by the city, but expressed the opinion that while conditions were a little better than last year; they were aware of some large expenditures being made; that the city officials had brought out just that point in making the estimates for municipal work during the year, cutting each department down to the smallest possible amount, in realization of the fact that large expenditures for the city would mean a corresponding increase in the price of munitions. They assert that the D. P. & T. is in the same position—that they, knowing anything about it.

\$300 GONE

Husband Left It in Pocket and Wife Took It Out

Prof. Veitreich, who resides at 114 Plymouth street, is out of pocket to the extent of \$300. He left the money in his pocket, the coat hanging in the closet of his home. His wife took out the money, intending to go out and do some shopping. On the way home she visited some friends, and when at last arrived home, the roll of bills was missing. The police are investigating the case.

RECRUITING MEETING

The Skopy Theatre has been rented by Mr. Stross for Sunday's meeting, which will be open to men and women. The chairman will be Col. A. H. Hatch. Toronto will send for the occasion to Major and A. M. Donohue, M. P., and it is hoped that Mr. T. J. Stewart, M. P., may speak. The various battalions forming here will send representatives, and the 173rd Battalion will send its officers.

Saturday Tobacco Bazaar.

Thacker's Orphan, Great, Oct. 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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Mr. Clark is about moving to Greenville, where he is teaching school.

INTRIGUES IN THE DOMAINS

Questions in Parliament as to German Spies Operating Through-out the Country.

DEFENCE MADE

By Ministers of the Germans in the Employ of the Government.—A Serious Matter.

(HAMILTON, Feb. 10.—) Intrigues in Canada concerning Parliament to-day, members sought assurance from the Government that additional and more rigorous steps would be taken to insure the institution of the most effective and efficient operations of the Prussian espionage system. Two direct cases of the conduct of most subsequently proved to be German agents on the Atlantic coast were mentioned by Mr. R. B. Bennett, minister of defence, in the House of Commons, London, yesterday.

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STILL AMONG CANADIAN TROOPS?—Mr. Bennett's statement was made in the House of Commons, London, yesterday, in connection with the use of German agents in the Prussian espionage system. He said that the use of German agents in the Prussian espionage system was a serious matter, and that the Government was taking steps to deal with it.

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Hamilton Times Patterns

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How Britain Keeps Watch On Her Foes

(By Lewis R. Freeman in London)

All who have read "Kim" will remember Mr. Kim's description of the desert. It was a vast, open, and empty landscape, with only a few scattered oases and a few small villages. This is how Britain keeps watch on her foes.

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Government was favorably considered for the establishment of a Municipal Department.

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Returned Canadian Foreigners of Britain's New Scheme

Glass Bottomed Boats Used in the Search.

New York, Feb. 10.—Dr. M. S. Hughes, a Canadian army surgeon, arrived to-day on the Aquatic Line steamer, from Liverpool, declared that he had knowledge of the capture in British waters of seventeen German submarines.

Many of Sir Wilfrid's Pages Destroyed by Fire.

Acquitted Firm.

In Reply to Protest Over Closing of Galleries.

London, Feb. 10.—Premier Asquith has received a letter from the National Gallery, London, protesting against the proposed closing of the galleries during the war.

